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1999 Proof Set Including First Five 50 State Quarters Now Available

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9–Coin Set for \$19.95, or 5–Coin State Quarters Set for \$13.95, Plus \$3.95 Shipping Per Order Orders Limited to Two Sets Per Household Mail Order Only Until June 15 Web, Fax & Telephone Orders After June 15

Washington, D.C. — Mint Director Philip N. Diehl today announced that 1999 Proof Sets including the first five 50 State Quarters are now available from the U.S. Mint.

"Interest from collectors and the general public has been so strong that we're limiting orders to two sets per household in order to satisfy as many customers as possible," said Mint Director Philip N. Diehl. "We estimate total production for the 9–Coin Proof Set will reach approximately 2 million sets this year, compared with last year's sales of nearly 2.1 million proof sets – with estimated production for the 5–Coin State Quarters Proof Set approximately one million sets. However, we are not limiting the total number of sets we will sell."

The 9–Coin 1999 Proof Set is available at \$19.95, and the 5–Coin State Quarters Proof Set at \$13.95, plus a shipping fee of \$3.95 per order. All sets will be shipped by priority mail in customized security containers. Order forms may be obtained from the Mint's Online Catalog at www.USMINT.gov, and should be mailed to the U.S. Mint at P.O. Box 382604, Pittsburgh, PA 15250–8604.

After June 15, the Mint will accept fax orders at (301) 344–4150 and telephone orders at 1–800–USA–MINT (1–800–872–6468). The Mint also will accept secure Internet orders at www.USMINT.gov after June 15. Internet orders are exempt from shipping fees.

The 9–Coin Proof Set will contain a Lincoln cent, Jefferson nickel, Roosevelt dime, and Kennedy half dollar in one sealed presentation case, and the first five 50 State Quarters honoring Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Georgia, and Connecticut packaged in a separate case. The 5–Coin State Quarters Proof Set may be purchased separately.

The Mint's annual proof set is a collection of each coin made for circulation minted using highly polished dies. Produced at the San Francisco Mint, each coin bears the S mint mark and is struck at least twice to ensure fine detail in a frosted cameo image on a mirrored background. The sealed cases containing the coins are inserted into a specially printed sleeve and accompanied by a Certificate of Authenticity. In addition, to protect these historic collectibles, the Mint this year is offering two custom–made, foil–embossed collector boxes — one sized to fit the 9–coin sets and another to fit the 5–coin sets.

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